

**MINUTES OF THE
EXECUTIVE OFFICES AND CRIMINAL JUSTICE APPROPRIATIONS SUBCOMMITTEE**

Wednesday, January 24, 2018 • 8:00 a.m. • 25 House Building

Members Present:

Sen. Daniel W. Thatcher, Senate Chair
Rep. Eric K. Hutchings, House Chair
Rep. Bruce R. Cutler, House Vice Chair
Sen. Curtis S. Bramble
Sen. Margaret Dayton
Sen. Lincoln Fillmore
Sen. Jani Iwamoto
Sen. Peter C. Knudson
Rep. Cheryl K. Acton
Rep. James A. Dunnigan
Rep. Brian M. Greene

Rep. Ken Ivory
Rep. Brian S. King
Rep. Angela Romero
Rep. Logan Wilde

Members Absent:

Sen. Ralph Okerlund

Staff Present:

Ms. Linda Service, Committee Secretary
Mr. Gary R. Syphus, Fiscal Analyst
Mr. Alexander R. Wilson, Fiscal Analyst

Note: A copy of related materials and an audio recording of the meeting can be found at www.le.utah.gov.

1 . 8:00 am: Call to Order

Chair Hutchings called the meeting to order at 8:11 a.m. and introduced committee members.

2 . 8:01 am: Budget Overview

Mr. Gary Syphus, Fiscal Analyst, Office of the Legislative Fiscal Analyst (LFA), presented an overview of budget tools for use by legislators to examine and take action on the budget.

[2a-2018 EOCJ Session Calendar](#)

[2b-Budget Tools for EOCJ](#)

Mr. Alex Wilson, Fiscal Analyst, LFA, presented an overview of the Base Budget Bill and responded to a question from Chair Hutchings regarding changes from the previous year.

[2b-Issue Brief - 2018 General Session - Fiscal Note and Budget Item Follow-up Report](#)

3 . 8:15 am: Board of Pardons and Parole (Base budget ? \$5.1 million)

Mr. Syphus gave a Base Budget presentation.

Ms. Chyleen Arbon, Chair, Board of Pardons and Parole, discussed the program.

Mr. Greg Johnson, Director, Administrative Services, Board of Pardons and Parole, responded to a question from Chair Hutchings with regard to staffing.

Mr. Johnson answered questions from Sen. Thatcher, Rep. Dunnigan, Rep. Iwamoto, Rep. Cutler, and Rep. King.

Mr. Syphus continued his presentation.

4 . 8:30 am: Governor's Office (Base budget ? \$24.7 million)

Mr. Wilson discussed performance measures and options for the budget.

Rep. Ivory commented on funding associated with the Commission on Federalism.

Mr. Wilson continued his presentation.

Sen. Bramble asked for clarification on one-time money and the Base Budget.

Mr. Duncan Evans, Financial Operations Specialist, Governor's Office of Management and Budget (GOMB), discussed the program.

Mr. Evans responded to questions from Sen. Thatcher regarding their needs.

5 . 9:10 am: Public Safety (Base budget ? \$188.0 million)

Mr. Syphus discussed the Base Budget Bill.

[5b-Issue Brief - 2018 General Session - Budget Deep-Dive: Bureau of Criminal Identification \(BCI\)](#)

Sen. Thatcher commented on the Department of Public Safety's Aero Bureau.

Rep. Cutler commented on the issue of the federal government providing services to maintain federal land.

Commissioner Keith Squires, distributed a handout "Aero Bureau...144 Lives Saved in 2017" and responded to an issue raised by Rep. Ivory regarding compensation from the federal government when providing services on federal lands.

Mr. Syphus resumed his presentation.

Chair Hutchings responded to questions from Rep. Ivory regarding collaborating with agencies on reductions and efficiencies.

Mr. Squires and Mr. Joe Brown, Financial Director, Department of Public Safety, answered a question posed by Rep. King related to the Uninsured Motorist Program.

Mr. Squires introduced Col. Mike Rapich.

Col. Mike Rapich, Utah Highway Patrol, Department of Public Safety, clarified emergency rescue procedures, including hoist operations.

Col. Rapich responded to a question from Rep. Ivory regarding further capability and a concern voiced by Rep. Cutler regarding funding.

Rep. Wilde commented on the possibility of billing the federal government for local search and rescue use.

Chair Hutchings urged the agency to notify leadership of needs.

Mr. Syphus continued his presentation.

Mr. Brown commented on some LFA options related to DNA supplies and firearm safety education.

Mr. Squires commented on Operation Rio Grande.

Sen. Iwamoto expressed her appreciation for the service rendered by the department.

Rep. Greene commented on the need to have more detail in the Base Budget and suggested the possibility of restructuring budget information.

Mr. Brown responded to questions from Rep. Greene on user fees, background checks, and dedicated credit increases.

Chair Thatcher assumed the chair.

Rep. Romero commented on concealed carry permits and background checks.

6 . 10:05 am: State Treasurer (Base budget ? \$3.6 million)

Mr. Wilson discussed the Office of the State Treasurer.

Mr. David Damschen, State Treasurer, presented an overview of the office.

[6b-USTO Agency Presentation 2018 Final](#)

Mr. Damschen responded to a question from Sen. Dayton with regard to gift cards and lost properties.

Chair Hutchings resumed the chair.

Chair Hutchings noted the committee binders and the tools available in them and asked Mr. Syphus to discuss the document titled "Fiscal Note and Budget Item Follow-up Report."

7 . 10:40 am: House Bill 8 - State Agency Fees and Internal Service Fund Rate Authorization and Appropriations

Agenda Item 7 was not considered.

MOTION: Chair Thatcher moved to adjourn. The motion passed with a vote of 7 - 0 - 9 .

Yeas-7

Rep. C. Acton
Rep. B. Cutler
Sen. L. Fillmore
Rep. B. Greene
Rep. E. Hutchings
Rep. A. Romero
Sen. D. Thatcher

Nays-0

Absent-9

Sen. C. Bramble
Sen. M. Dayton
Rep. J. Dunnigan
Rep. K. Ivory
Sen. J. Iwamoto
Rep. B. King
Sen. P. Knudson
Sen. R. Okerlund
Rep. L. Wilde

Chair Hutchings adjourned the meeting at 10:51 a.m.